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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
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For: **Polymerases for Analyzing or Typing Polymorphic
Nucleic Acid Fragments and Uses Thereof**
Inventors: SOLUS *et al.*
Our Ref: 0942.4250003/BJD/JKM

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement;
2. List of cited references on Form PTO-1449 (23 sheets);
3. A copy of each reference cited on Form PTO-1449 (80 documents: AP3-AM6, and AS12-AS34); and
4. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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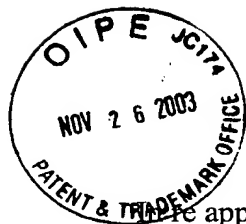
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Listed on accompanying Form PTO-1449 are documents that may be considered material to the examination of this application, in compliance with the duty of disclosure requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98. The numbering on this Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is a continuation in the numbering of Applicants' Information Disclosure Statement filed on October 5, 2001, and Applicants' First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed electronically herewith, in connection with the above-captioned application. A copy of each document is also provided.

Where the publication date of a listed document does not provide a month of publication, the year of publication of the listed document is sufficiently earlier than the effective U.S. filing date and any foreign priority date so that the month of publication is not in issue. Applicants have listed publication dates on the attached PTO-1449 based on information presently available to the undersigned. However, the listed publication dates should not be construed as an admission that the information was actually published on the date indicated.

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This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed more than three months after the U.S. filing date AND after the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits, but before the mailing date of a Final Rejection, or Notice of Allowance, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application. Payment of the fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is included with the First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed electronically herewith. It is believed that this fee covers both submissions.

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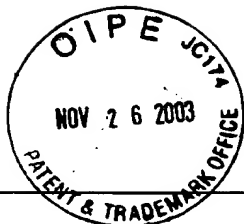
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